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CONVERSION FEE CHARGING METHOD AND STORAGE MEDIUM STORING  
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
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One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

1. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication No. 2000-76339, published March 14, 2000.
2. U.S. Patent No. 5,568,383 issued October 22, 1996.
3. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication No. 8-274772, published October 18, 1996.

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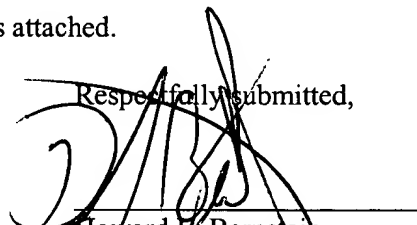
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